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Police Headquarters, Kerala
Thiruvananthapuram
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Sub : Categorisation of Grave Crimes – Regarding.

- Ref : (1) Police Standing Order 309 (Kerala Police Manual Volume II)
(2) Circular No.3/84 (No.K5/965984/1984)
(3) Circular No.17/87 (No.K5/82900/86 Dated. 06/07/1987)
(4) Circular No.10/87 (No.D14/52216/89 Dated. 06/06/1989)
(5) Circular No.10/90 (No.D14/83839/89 Dated. 15/03/1990)
(6) Circular No.38/90 (No.D15/44733/90 Dated. 9/90)
(7) Circular No.9/92 (No.Confidential I/114770/89 Dated. 19/03/1992)
(8) Circular No.18/98 (No.D14/36579/98 Dated. 12/05/1998)
(9) Circular No.25/07 (No.U4/75230/70 Dated. 22/09/2007)
(10) Circular No.11/2010 (No.D1/102359/09 Dated. 09/03/2010)
(11) Circular No.01/2013 (No.D2/101688/2012 Dated. 01/01/2013)
(12) Circular No.25/2013 (No.D2/101688/2012 Dated. 03/09/2013)

01. Categorization of Grave Crimes was last ordered vide Circulars referred in 11th and 12th above. This requires a review because of unprecedented hike in the price of gold, inflation, rise in general income levels and increasing number of cases which are to be investigated personally by the Circle Inspectors and Sub-Divisional Police Officers etc. It is also felt that some of the cases which presently fall within the ambit of Grave Crimes are to be taken out of the category as the workload in respect of investigation of cases by CIs and their supervision by the Sub-Divisional Police Officers, has increased manifold affecting the very quality of investigation of serious cases which actually needs more time and attention from Officers of higher ranks. Hence, with a view to focus the personal attention of minimum two level supervisory officers on cases of grave nature and to improve the quality of investigation, in such selected cases, it has been decided to modify and to revise the categorization of Grave Crimes.

02. The following crimes will be treated as Grave Crimes with effect from 05.02.2017

SI No	Offence / Crime	Subjective Description	Investigating Officer	1st Level Supervisory Officer	2nd Level Supervisory Officer	Legal Provision
1	302,307	All cases of Murder and Attempt to Murder.	CI	DySP	SP	IPC
2	304	All cases of Culpable Homicide not amounting to Murder.	CI	DySP	SP	IPC
3	395, 396, 397	All cases of Dacoity.	CI	DySP	SP	IPC
4	454, 457, 380, 379	Robbery/ Housebreaking and Theft cases in which value of property is Rs.10,00,000/- or above and cases of Ordinary Theft in which value of property is Rs. 20 Lakh and above.	CI	DySP	SP	IPC
5	304(A)	Hit and Run cases of 304(A) in which the accused and vehicle are not known even after 24 hours of the registration of the case.	CI	DySP	SP	IPC
6	126	Railway Accidents involving loss of human lives, suspected sabotage or serious accidents and offences under Sec.126 of the Indian Railway Act.	CI	DySP	SP	Indian Railway Act
7		Cognizable Offence registered against Police Officers above the rank of SI.	CI	DySP	SP	IPC
8	305	Abetment of Suicide of child or insane person	CI	DySP	SP	IPC
9	363(A)	Kidnapping or Maiming a minor for purposes of begging	CI	DySP	SP	IPC

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10	364 & 364(A)	Kidnapping and Abduction in order to Murder and for Ransom.	CI	DySP	SP	IPC
11		All Offences under the NDPS Act which the quantity of MOs is 1kg and above. (Except those under Sec. 27 and 20 (b) (ii) (A) of the Act.)	CI	DySP	SP	NDPS
12	498(A) 304(B)	Cases u/s 498 (A) IPC in which the victim happens to die and all cases u/s 304 (B) IPC involving Dowry Death.	DySP	SP	DIG/IG	IPC
13	376	Rape	CI	DySP	SP	IPC
14		Negligent handling of Explosive Substances resulting in death of one or more persons.	CI	DySP	SP	The Explosive Substances Act 1908
15		Attacks on Foreigners, resulting in Grievous Hurt to the victims.	CI	DySP	SP	IPC
16	420	Cheating, Misappropriation and dishonestly inducing delivery of property wherein the amount involved exceeds Rs.50 Lakhs whether from one victim or more than one victim or in one instance or in more than one instance perpetrated by the same group of persons.	CI	DySP	SP	IPC
17	153(A) and 153(B)	All offences against Communal Harmony and National Integration	CI	DySP	SP	IPC
18	370	Trafficking of Person	CI	DySP	SP	IPC
19	326 A	Infirmity- Acid pouring or administering	CI	DySP	SP	IPC
20	66	ATM Fraud cases amount involves more than 1 Lakh	CI	DySP	SP	IT Act 2008

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21		UAPA Cases	DySP	SP	IGP	UAPA Act 2012
22		POCSO Act Cases	CI	DySP	SP	Pocso Act
23		Abkari Act cases where the quantity of the contraband seized is above 10000 Ltrs/ or the amount of the contraband is above 5 Lakh Rupees	CI	DySP	SP	Abkari Act
24		Counterfeit cases in which printing is of high quality and suspected to be injected from outside our country (UAPA)	DySP	SP	DIG/IG	IPC
25		Missing of Minor or unmarried girl Circular 32/2009 and 17/2014	CI	DySP	SP	
26	333	Causing grievous hurt to deter public servant from duty	CI	DySP	SP	IPC

N.B: 1. All Scheduled Offences under the NIA Act shall be considered as Grave Crimes.

2. UAPA Cases shall be investigated by DySsP/ASsP and other scheduled offences will be investigated by CIs/Inspectors (unless specifically prescribed)
3. As far as Cases in CBCID are concerned, they will be investigated by following the SOP meant for CBCID.

The following Cases are excluded from the list of Grave Crimes. However, it should be investigated by Circle Inspector of Police.

- 1) All Cases u/s 304(A) IPC involving loss of more than 2 lives.
- 2) Cognizable Offence registered against Police Officers below the rank of SI.

Wherever any offence as prescribed in the statute or any statutory rule is to be investigated by an Officer of a particular rank, it shall be done as per the dictates of the statute/rule though the offence may or may not be a Grave Crime.


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